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(57) **Abstract:** Developer composition obtainable by (a) providing water, (b) dissolving such an amount of an alkaline component selected from alkali silicates, alkali hydroxides, Na_3PO_4 , K_3PO_4 , NR_4OH , wherein each R is independently selected from C_1-C_4 alkyl groups and C_1-C_4 hydroxyalkyl groups, and mixtures thereof in the water provided in step (a) that a pH of more than 12 is obtained, and (c) dissolving a stabilizer selected from M_2CO_3 , $MHCO_3$, or a mixture of 2 or more thereof, wherein each M is independently selected from Li, Na, K and NR_4' and each R' independently represents H or C_1-C_4 alkyl, in the solution obtained in step (b) wherein the amount of the added stabilizer is such that the amount of the added carbonate anion is 1.5 to 20 wt-%, based on the total weight of the developer composition.